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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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DIA Member, NIS Committee

SUBJECT:

Fleet Marine Force Atlantic  
"Political-Economic-Sociological Study  
Angola (FMFLant PESS-59)" August 1967

1. This is a follow-up on our discussion of the above subject at the NIS Committee meeting of 22 May 1968. Although FMFLant PESS-59 was probably prepared as a reserve training exercise and as a contribution to the fleet support project, the study was given wide dissemination, and I am concerned therefore about some aspects of its purpose, content, and preparation.

2. The forwarding letter for FMFLant PESS-59 states that its purpose is "to provide in a single presentation basic intelligence of a permanent and semipermanent nature needed for planning an amphibious operation in Angola", yet it deals only with political, economic, and sociological topics in a manner that in no way appears to be slanted toward or adapted specifically for support of amphibious operational planning. As a result the study parallels the NIS General Survey on Angola (September 1965), a single-volume presentation covering a broad spectrum of topics, and, as an interagency product, designed for the same purpose.

3. It is also apparent that much of the material in FMFLant PESS-59 was either taken directly from or paraphrased from the General Survey. While the use of the NIS in the preparation of specialized or departmental studies is an established and approved practice, in this instance it was done without credit or citation of source. Further, this material, even when not paraphrased, was downgraded from SECRET to CONFIDENTIAL without the authorization of the NIS Committee.

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